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In re Application of: William John DeVey

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Method and Structure for Reduction of Impedance Using Decoupling

Capacitor

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